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FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE • WILLIAM E. SIMKIN, Director

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Washington - The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service today scheduled new negotiations in New York City on Thursday afternoon (2 p.m., edt) in the dispute involving broadcast technicians and two TV and radio networks, the National Broadcasting Company and the American Broadcasting Company.

The meetings were called by Director William E. Simkin of the Mediation Service following word that members of the National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians (NABET) had rejected terms of a management settlement proposal worked out in earlier negotiations at Miami, Florida.

In telegrams to officials of the union and the two networks, inviting them to the Thursday meeting, Director Simkin stated:

"Both parties have a public responsibility to exert every effort to maintain this vital (broadcast) service and

(more)

to continue operations without any interruption."

Simkin assigned Commissioner Kenneth Moffett, a National Representative of the FMCS, and Commissioner William McAlister of Miami to attend the New York sessions to assist in the negotiations. The meetings will be held at FMCS offices in New York, located at room 1101, Eleventh Floor, East Broadway).

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